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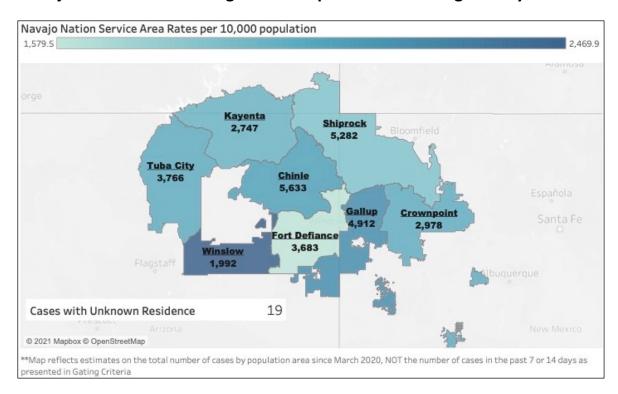
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## 3 new cases, 29,617 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19, Navajo Nation residents urged to take precautions during holiday weekend



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – On Friday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported three new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,354 as previously reported. The report indicates that 29,617 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 282,056 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 31,012.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

• Chinle Service Unit: 5,633

Crownpoint Service Unit: 2,978

• Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,683

Gallup Service Unit: 4,912
Kayenta Service Unit: 2,747
Shiprock Service Unit: 5,282
Tuba City Service Unit: 3,766

• Winslow Service Unit: 1,992

\* 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Friday, the state of Arizona reported 526 new cases, Utah reported 431, and New Mexico reported 86 cases.

"We've come a long way from where we were this time last year when we were reporting hundreds of new cases of COVID-19 on a daily basis. Because of the Navajo people and all of our frontline warriors, we now have consistent low numbers of new infections. As we celebrate the Fourth of July holiday, do not let up your guard and keep taking precautions. Our health care experts continue to stress the importance of getting vaccinated. There are more and more reports across the country that show that a large majority of new COVID-19 and Delta variant infections are individuals who are not vaccinated. We have to do more to get more of our Navajo people vaccinated to keep us all safe and healthy. Be safe and please do not drink and drive this holiday weekend," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines during drive-thru events or by appointment. If you would like to receive the vaccine, please contact your health care provider for more information for your Service Unit.

"We wish all of our Navajo people a safe and fun Fourth of July weekend. We have the tools and the guidance to keep ourselves safe, so please be responsible and take precautions. We are in this together and we are overcoming the pandemic day by day. Be safe and continue to pray for our people," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: <a href="http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19">http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19</a>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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